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New England's Advantage

In any discussion of the advantages that exist for industry in New England, it must be seen that the one great advantage that New England can have over any other section of the country is the *people* who work in these six states.

A statistician would be able to give a great many figures that pointed out the many disadvantages for industry in New England. He wouldn't have much trouble in showing that there are very few factual reasons for New England to be satisfied with its lot. But after he had gone through all these figures he would still have to reckon with the people themselves.

After all, any company or industry is primarily made up of people. They are the ones who do the work, and they are the ones who get, in one way or another, what this industry or company produces. The cotton-textiles that an industry makes are not made just for the sake of producing them. They are made to be used by men, women and children who need blankets, or sheets, or towels. And these men, women and children buy these goods and keep the mills and the people busy.

When it is realized that any industry exists primarily for the people who are a part of it, then it is easy to see what a great responsibility these people have. Their work and their interest make this industry go. Their hopes of what it will develop into are what maintain this interest and this desire to work.

Ever since New England has been an important industrial section, and it was the first industrial section of the United States, the people here have shown a greater willingness to work and to be proud of their work than people anywhere else in the country. At the present time the need to realize how deeply the future of New England depends on its people, is greater than it has ever been before.

There is plenty of evidence that the people of New England realize the stake that they have in the future of this section, and that they will make the one great advantage of New England—its people—the means to a busier and better place.

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Mill Manager

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One of the 30 entrants by Rosaire Belanger to the Second Annual Hobby Show, held in Philadelphia last month. We are very pleased to announce that Rosaire was awarded First Prize for his typewriter etchings.

THE FRONT COVER

The cover illustration this month was done by Marion DeFusco, who works in the Fall River Division. We have seen quite a number of the other water color drawings that she has done and they really are exceptional. Some time some of the people in Fall River might ask her to show them because they certainly will be interested to see how well they are done.

BIDDEFORD'S SAFETY RECORD

Industrial safety today is as important as production. Safety groups operate 24 hours a day in order to prevent accidents. Measures are taken by both employer and employee to prevent causes of injury.

The Biddeford plant has a fine record but not so good but that we can always try to make it better. Let's take a look at the record and see how some departments stand. At the close of June Mr. Early's department has accumulated 1,073,295 man hours without a lost time accident. Mr. Brady ranks second with 1,023,824 man hours without a lost time accident. Mr. Acton's department, which is the Cotton House, is rather small in comparison with the above, but he hasn't had an accident involving lost time for over three years.

This is an outstanding performance in Pepperell's safety crusade. We must give credit to each employee for being careful. You are the one whose record is kept. You are the one who benefits by safety. You are the one who must continue with safety. Any suggestion you have to encourage and exercise safety will be appreciated by everyone. Let's be safety conscious. Make it a habit wherever you are and whatever you do. Be Safety-Wise.



Miss Edna Corkum, intent on her duties as the Registered Nurse in charge of the clinic at Fall River.

LEO CHABOT'S PROMOTIONS JUSTIFIED

It has been the custom in the *Sheet* to write the biography of Foremen and Second Hands of this organization. This month we chose that of Leo Chabot, Second Hand of Rayon Slashing in the Fall River Division.

Mr. Chabot was born and attended schools in Fall River. Upon leaving school he was immediately employed in textiles. He entered as a Smash Hand, later was Knot Tyer and then wove rayons for four years. Because of his energetic nature together with his knowledge and interest in rayon weaving he was, several months ago, promoted to Second Hand of Slashing.

For seven years he has attended night textile schools to learn further about cloth analysis, designing, calculations, etc. Though he hasn't any particular hobby, he does read considerably, especially on subjects pertaining to textiles.

We all know what a splendid job he has done on the Weaving and Slashing reporting of the Fall River news and sports. He always injects in a clever way, various reasons why we should purchase products made by our own company.

Leo has lived a rather conventional life, the only incident which was a bit unusual was when he defied all superstitions by being married on April Fool's Day. Success has been his, for he is happily married and lives on Broad Street.

We congratulate you, Leo, on the advancement you have made since joining the Pepperell family in 1935.



Leo Chabot, Second Hand of Rayon Slashing at Fall River. Mr. Chabot was "caught" by the camera as he was watching one of the rayon slashers in operation.

Scout Wilfred Lambert, son of Mrs. Yvonne Lambert of the Biddeford Sheet-
ing Cloth Room. Many folks say that the world would be a better place to live if there were more boys in this organization.



A DASH OF CHEMISTRY

Pepperell fabrics are used for many purposes. The other day we had a very interesting talk with Mr. Carl Morrell, Chemist at the Lewiston Bleachery, and he told us about the Silverware cloth that is being used so much. This gets its name because of the box lining and bags in which silverware is placed on display at jewelry or department stores.

The dyeing of the cloth is a very important factor. This cloth must not contain over eight ten-thousandths of one per cent of sulphur. Sulphur tarnishes silverware, as all the women folk know.

Too much sodium chloride in the fabric will pit knives, spoons and the like. If soluble salts are present in too large a quantity, a hole will be eaten right through a knife or spoon in only two weeks time. These salts when contacting a metal, work very much the same as a battery in an automobile. As termed by our chemist, an electric conductivity cell is created. Not over two-tenths of one percent of soluble salts is allowed.

When a jeweler wants to display a fine looking chest of silver, lined with colored flannel, he sets it right into the window. This makes a splendid place for display and it is not affected by the sun. Fading by sunlight must be eliminated—another point which must be remembered when the fabric is being colored.

It may be of interest to note that all large silverware manufacturers buy this dyed material from the Bleachery. The next time you go into a jeweler's, notice these chests and see how attractive they are. A simple bet of two to one that the lining came from Lewiston.

LE TRAVAIL EST LE CAPITAL LE PLUS PRÉCIEUX DE LA NOUVELLE ANGLETERRE

Et c'est là où la Concurrence est la Plus Dure

L'article qui suit se trouve en anglais à la page 3 de la *Pepperell Sheet* pour le mois d'août :

Il y a environ six mois, M. Solomon Barkin, Directeur du bureau de Recherches du Syndicat des Ouvriers du Textile de l'Amérique (Textile Workers Union of America), a écrit un article, dans lequel se trouve le passage suivant :

"Le facteur qui a causé le plus grand nombre de faillites en affaires, et avec les résultats les plus désastreux, a été le grand écart qu'il y a entre les salaires des régions du Nord et ceux des régions du Sud en particulier, et l'écart entre les salaires des villes et ceux de la campagne".

Lorsqu'il a montré les grands désavantages dont souffrent les filatures du Nord, M. Barkin a dit là ce que beaucoup d'autres personnes savaient depuis longtemps. Néanmoins il faut que l'on comprenne que ces difficultés doivent être surmontées si les filatures du Nord doivent continuer à travailler d'une façon quelconque.

Ce Qui Coute Autant

Examinons le problème comme suit : Toutes les filatures, dans le Nord comme dans le Sud, doivent employer certains produits, une certaine quantité de main d'oeuvre, pas mal de place, du chauffage, de l'éclairage et elles doivent faire d'autres dépenses accessoires, tout cela pour fabriquer des cotonnades. Ces quantités ne peuvent guère varier ni dans le Nord, ni dans le Sud. Quand on fabrique un yard de toile pour draps, cela demande à peu près la même somme de coton, de force motrice, d'espace et d'heures de travail dans le Sud que dans le Nord. Et naturellement, ce yard de toile pour draps, qu'on a fabriqué, soit dans le Nord, soit dans le Sud, se vendra à quelqu'un qui voudra l'acheter au plus bas prix. C'est bien naturel.

L'Importance du Bas Prix

Maintenant il est facile de voir que la fabrique qui réussira à faire cette toile pour draps au plus bas prix va recevoir d'autres commandes pour cette toile. Mais si une filature ne peut pas arriver à vendre cette toile pour draps au plus bas prix et continuer à couvrir les dépenses de la fabrique où on la fait, alors cette filature sera obligée de fermer. D'autre part si une filature peut fabriquer cette toile à un prix inférieur, cette filature aura les commandes et elle ne fermera pas, au contraire.

Quand on fabrique des toiles de coton comme la toile pour draps, le prix du coton non travaillé repré-

sente 43% de ce que coûte la fabrication de cette toile. Comme le prix du coton est en moyenne le même pour les filatures de tout le pays, les filatures du Sud et du Nord auront à payer à peu près le même prix pour ce coton. S'il y a une différence entre ce que le coton coûte aux filatures, ce sont les fabriques du Nord qui auront à payer plus cher à cause des frais de transport plus élevés quand le coton est envoyé dans le Nord que quand il est envoyé à une fabrique du Sud.

Même Coût Encore

Une autre dépense importante dans la fabrication des toiles de coton est ce qu'on appelle les frais généraux pour faire marcher la fabrique. Cela constitue 17½% du prix de revient, et comprend les taxes, les assurances, l'éclairage, le chauffage, la force motrice, l'entretien des bâtiments qu'il faut repeindre, le remplacement des vieilles machines, et d'autres dépenses du même ordre. Ici encore, les frais généraux de l'usine sont à peu près équivalents pour les filatures du Nord et pour celles du Sud. Et ici aussi, s'il doit y avoir une différence, ce sera que les fabriques du Nord dépenseront plus surtout parce que leurs bâtiments et leur outillage sont plus vieux et coûtent plus cher à entretenir.

Faisons L' Addition

Une troisième dépense sérieuse dans la fabrication des toiles de coton est le finissage. Cela revient à 7% du prix de revient total. Le blanchissage lui aussi doit coûter à peu près autant dans le Nord que dans le Sud, parce que les procédés de blanchissage et les produits qu'on emploie sont pratiquement les mêmes partout, et les dépenses varient très peu d'une blanchisserie à l'autre, n'importe où elle se trouve.

Ces trois grosses dépenses, pour le coton non travaillé, pour les frais généraux de la fabrique, et pour le finissage, constituent donc 67½% du prix de revient total des toiles de coton. Et ce chiffre de 67½% est à peu près le même pour toutes les filatures, n'importe où elles se trouvent.

La Grande Différence

Voici maintenant le dernier chiffre qui entre dans le prix de fabrication des étoffes. Ce sont les salaires qui sont payés, ou encore le prix de la main d'oeuvre. C'est un des "produits" les plus importants qui entrent dans la fabrication des étoffes, parce que le travail que les ouvriers donnent de leurs mains et avec toute leur adresse représente l'élément humain, et il y a peu de choses qui comptent plus que cela.

Ce prix de la main d'oeuvre constitue 32½% du prix total de la fabrication des toiles — mais, contrairement à ce qui a lieu pour les trois autres gros articles de dépense, il y a une grande différence entre le prix de la main d'oeuvre dans les filatures du Nord et du Sud. Ce chiffre de 32½% est le prix moyen de la main d'oeuvre dans les filatures Pepperell dans

le Nord et dans le Sud, mais quand nous regardons les salaires qu'on paie dans le Nord et ceux qu'on paie dans le Sud, on peut aisément voir que ce chiffre de 32½% pour les salaires est le chiffre qui varie largement dans le prix de revient total des toiles.

Voilà pourquoi: Le prix de la main d'oeuvre d'une filature est d'environ 20% plus élevé dans le Nord que dans le Sud. Cela veut dire que, dans le prix de fabrication total des toiles—y compris le coton brut, le chauffage, l'éclairage et le finissage — les grands frais qui varient sont ceux de la main d'oeuvre, et ils varient tellement que dans le prix de revient d'un yard de toile pour draps cette variation du prix de revient de la main d'oeuvre peut se monter à 6% du prix total de cette même toile. Et si l'on se représente qu'une différence de 1% peut faire perdre une grosse commande ou la faire obtenir, on voit bien l'importance énorme de cette différence.

La Signification de Tout Cela

Quelle signification tout cela a-t-il donc? Cela veut dire que la concurrence dans l'industrie des textiles atteint son plus haut point dans le prix de la main d'oeuvre qui fabrique ces toiles.

Cela veut dire que les ouvriers des filatures du Nord doivent justifier leur rôle dans la fabrication de la toile, en fournissant une somme de travail qui cor-

responde aux salaires plus élevés qu'on paye dans le Nord.

Le moyen d'y arriver c'est de faire marcher leurs métiers à tisser, leurs métiers à filer, leurs cardes, à leur capacité maximum.

Les ouvriers doivent produire la plus haute qualité de toile possible.

Ils doivent se rendre compte que le seul grand avantage qu'une filature du Nord doit préserver est que les ouvriers soient désireux de voir que la compagnie pour laquelle ils travaillent ne ferme pas ses portes.

Ils doivent comprendre que tout, ou presque, dépend d'eux pour que leur fabrique réussisse,—parce que c'est d'eux que dépendent les frais de la main d'oeuvre.

Ils doivent comprendre que cette concurrence dans le prix de la main d'oeuvre ne va pas diminuer, mais qu'elle va probablement aller en grandissant.

Ils doivent considérer leur travail, non seulement comme un simple travail quelconque, mais comme une vraie partie de leurs vies, comme un moyen de veiller à ce que leurs foyers et leurs espérances restent tels qu'ils les désirent.

Ils doivent être "résolus" à faire tout cela, et ils ne pourront rester résolus que s'ils sont convaincus que le travail est quelque chose de nécessaire et d'honorable.

LABOR IS NEW ENGLAND'S GREATEST ASSET

And Labor Is Where New England's
Competition Is Most Severe

About six months ago, Mr. Solomon Barkin, Director of Research for the Textile Workers Union of America, wrote an article a part of which read as follows:

"The one factor which has caused the greatest number of business failures with the most devastating results has been the sharp differences in wages between the northern and southern districts in particular, and between the rural and urban areas."

In pointing out the great handicaps which exist for mills in the North, Mr. Barkin has said what many other people have known for a long time. It must still be realized that these difficulties must be overcome in some way if Northern mills are to stay in business.

Let's look at it this way. Any cotton textile mill, whether it is in the North or in the South, has to use certain products, a certain amount of labor, a certain amount of floor space, heat, light, and incidental things of this nature in making cotton goods. The use of these things can't vary much either in the North or in the South. In making a yard of sheeting, there is just about the same amount of cotton, power, space and labor required in the South as there is in the North. And, of course, this yard of sheeting that is made, either in the North or in the South, is going



Ralph Noel, Jr., was seven months old when this picture was taken. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Noel. Mr. Noel is employed in the Printing Department at Lewiston.



These two chaps are fine bowlers in the Fall River League. Rene Pelletier got a high 3 string total of 431 and Roland Larrivee got the high single average of 114 for 90 strings.

to be sold to some person who will want to buy it at the lowest possible price. That is only natural.

From this point it is not hard to see that whatever mill can make this sheeting at the lowest price is going to get more orders for this same sheeting. But if one mill can't sell this sheeting at the lowest price and still support the mill where it is made, then this mill can't stay in business. On the other hand, if one mill can make it at a lower price, this mill is going to get the business, and this mill is going to keep running.

In making cotton goods such as sheeting, about 43% of the total cost of producing it is required to buy raw cotton. Because the price of cotton is, on the average, the same for mills all over the country, mills in the South and in the North will have to pay about the same price for this cotton. If there is any difference in the cost of the cotton to the mills, it would tend to be higher for the Northern mills because the freight costs to get it up North are higher than to deliver it to a mill in the South.

Another important cost of making cotton goods is in the general expense of running the mill. This amounts to 17½% of the total cost, and includes such expenses as taxes, insurance, light, heat, power, keeping the buildings painted, replacing old machinery, and other things of this sort. Here again, this general mill expense is just about the same for a mill in the North as it is for a mill in the South. And here also, if there is any difference, it probably would make costs higher for Northern mills largely because their buildings and equipment are older and therefore cost more to keep in condition.

A third major expense in making cotton textiles is the cost of finishing. This amounts to 7% of the total. This too must be about the same for the bleaching in the North as it is in the South, for bleaching processes and materials are practically the same everywhere, and expenses vary little from one bleaching to another, regardless of where it is located.

These three things, raw cotton, general mill ex-

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Marilyn Joyce Long is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Long. Her father works in the storehouse at Lewiston.

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penses, and finishing, therefore account for $67\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the total cost of making cotton textiles. And this $67\frac{1}{2}\%$ is just about the same for a mill regardless of where it is located.

Now we come to the final figure that enters into the cost of making fabrics. This is represented by wages that are paid, or the cost for labor. This is one of the most essential "products" that is used in making cloth, for the work that employees contribute with their hands and skill represents the human element, and few things are more important than that.

This cost of labor amounts to $32\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the total cost of cloth production—but, unlike the other three major things that make up the cost, there is a great difference between this cost in the North and in the South. This figure of $32\frac{1}{2}\%$ is the average cost of labor in Pepperell's mills in both the North and the South, but when we look at the wages paid in the North and those paid in the South, it is easy to see that this figure—this $32\frac{1}{2}\%$ for wages—is the one thing that varies greatly in the cost of making cloth.

And here is why. The cost of labor for a Northern mill is about 20% higher than for a Southern mill. This means that in the total costs of making textiles—including raw cotton, heat, light, power and finishing—the one great cost that varies is that for labor, and it varies to such a great extent that in the total cost of a yard of sheeting this variation in the cost of labor can represent 6% in the total cost of the cloth itself. And when you realize that a variation of 1% can be the difference between losing a large order and getting an order, the tremendous size of this difference is clear.

So what does all this mean? It means that competition in the cotton-textile industry is greatest in

the cost of labor that is required to make these textiles.

It means that workers in Northern mills must justify their part in making cloth, by justifying the extra costs of labor in these Northern mills.

To do this they must run their looms, spinning frames, cards, at the highest capacity.

They must turn out the best grade of cloth that it is possible to produce.

They must realize that the one great advantage a Northern mill has got to keep is the willingness of the people to want the company they work for to stay in business.

They must realize that the success of their mill rests almost entirely in their hands—for they are the ones who can control the costs of labor.

They must realize that this labor competition is not going to get less; it will probably get greater.

They must look on their work, not merely as a "job", but as a real part of their lives, as a means to keep their homes and their hopes where they want them.

They must have a "will" to do these things that is based on the idea that work is a necessary and honorable thing.



FARMERS
BUILT BOATS
IN THE WOODS.

Every farmer of importance at Fall River was a ship carpenter and had his own vessel, usually a sloop of 35 or 40 tons, of the kind which could be built in the woods and transported to the shore. The farmer and his family made trips to Providence, Newport and sometimes New York in these boats.

A REAL FISH STORY

For a number of years, people have had goldfish in their home as an amusement. Only fairly recently have tropical fish been used for the same purpose. We know of no one who has a larger variety than Jane Sawyer at the Sheet Factory in Lewiston.

In her home she has had as many as 17 tanks, each filled with 22 gallons of water. This means that these aquariums contained over 600 fish, representing Guppies, Gold Guppies, Swordtails, Moons, Angelfish and Black Mollies that resemble a piece of velvet. Then there are the Danio, Zebra Danio, Siamese Fighting fish and Clown Barbs which are better known as the acrobats of the aquarium.

There are several other types that are very interesting to watch. The Bettas, normally, are a white fish, but during a fight or at mating time, they turn to colors similar to a winter sunset. This is a beautiful reddish-orange and crimson shade that fairly glistens when the light strikes it. One of the latter type of fish is the Head and Tail Light. These get their name because near the mouth and on the tail is a small red spot. The rest of the fish is white.

The newest fish to appear on the market is the White Cloud Mountain. These were discovered by Tay, a Chinese Boy Scout, in a lake high in the mountains near Canton, China.

Easy on the Eyes

It is an impressive sight to enter Miss Sawyer's home, where one room is devoted to the raising of her fish. Imagine, if you can, each tank with ten or more types of tropical plants or flowers growing, which at night are indirectly lighted. Seeing the different colored fish swimming in and around the plants is something that cannot be forgotten. During the winter the water is kept at a constant temperature by electrical measures that are thermostatically controlled.

During the summer months, Jane has a very attrac-



Wedding Bells will soon ring out for Sylvianne Doucette, Lewiston Sheet Factory employee, and Adelard LePage, time keeper at the Lewiston Plant who will be married at Holy Cross Parish on Labor Day. Our best wishes to this very popular young couple.

tive pool in the yard. In this she has the pool Goldfish that measure between ten and twelve inches in length. We hesitate to mention this for fear some of the anglers from the Biddeford mill might pay the pool a visit.

If it's tropical fish you want, Mrs. Sawyer has nearly all kinds, in fact many more than this story lists. Nearly every evening in the summer, many visitors, including Bates College professors, congregate to watch these fish. If you have ever had tropical fish, then it is easily understood how fascinating it is to watch them.

AYE, AYE, SIR!



William Gempp, second hand of Mill A Weaving, just returning from a fishing trip, which netted him a lot of fun anyhow.

Fall River employees who enjoy a jovial soul turn to that jovial young man who is Second Hand on the second shift of the Rayon Division. He was christened in Basel, Switzerland, as "Bill" Gempp.

Bill came to this country when a boy and in due time learned the textile trade by being employed in several large New England textile mills. He has been with Pepperell only five years but has made many friends through his pleasing personality.

Though he has several hobbies, his favorite one is working to improve his summer home at South Warren, or Green's Landing, in the bordering state of Rhode Island. Bill says the short cut in improving his cottage is to go fishing, sailboating and swimming. He has a Beetle boat and sailing skiff which he maneuvers like a veteran of the briny deep. Bill does know a little about the water because of his voyages in several seas and oceans while employed on an oil tanker. He holds a government license as a marine engineer.

Mr. Gempp is married and has one son, Richard, who is attending Lasalle Academy in Providence. Incidentally he was recently awarded a scholarship which proves the boy is just as smart as his father.

CHANGES IN THE BIDDEFORD MILL

Blanket Extractors Installed

Two extractors for blankets have been installed in the Dye House. The purpose of these is to take out all water possible from the blanket after it has been rinsed from dyeing. They operate on the same principal as the home washing machine extractor only much larger in size. One is four feet in diameter, the other five feet.

Centrif-Air Machines Put in Service

The type of blankets being woven must be free from all impurities; that is, dust, cotton leaf particles or any foreign substance. In order to do this it was necessary to get the latest type of machine equipment in the Opening Room. A Centrif-Air machine was purchased and operated so satisfactorily that a second was bought.

While the cotton is being whirled about by a horizontal beater, air is blown through it to dislodge any foreign substance. Not only does this machine clean the cotton but fluffs it up to the original bloom state insuring a better quality product.

Rearrangement of Opening Room Machinery

When the first Centrif-Air machine was put into use, it was placed on the end of the line of machines used in the Opening Room to clean and blend cotton. By continual experimentation it was found better to place it after the vertical opener and preceding the No. 12 Lattice. This provides an opportunity to take out the heavier foreign materials before being broken into fine particles. Rearrangement of this machinery, which has now been completed, provides a much cleaner blanket, a better blend of cotton and a stronger running of cotton throughout the mill.



Willie Demers, Slubber Tender in 151 at Biddeford. Willie is an experienced employee who has worked over 15 years at Pepperell.



A group of young ladies from the Rayon Division at Fall River. Reading from the left is Mary Sherman, Rita Kelley (a bit shy), Mary Lynch and Viola Bartsch, the Sheet reporter from the Cloth Room.

Piece Dyeing Machine Installed

Within the last several months, two piece dyeing machines were installed at the Dye House. Blankets in the grey are colored in lots ranging from 600 to 900 pounds. A better feeling blanket is produced by this so-called wet finish. Then, too, it's a saving for the mill because blankets can be dyed according to the shade and quantity demanded. This eliminates the weaving of certain colors and thus does away with a complicated stock of many colors on hand.

Two sample dye machines were also built. Their capacity is from 20 to 50 yards.

VALUABLE EMPLOYEE AT FALL RIVER

As the readers of the *Sheet* often mention, we very seldom write about employees in the clerical departments. In the case of Irene Michel of Fall River, exception shall be made to the rule.

Miss Michel commenced her employment in 1925 when the mills were owned by the Granite Mills Co. In October, 1929, the Pepperell bought the concern. Considerable rearrangement in methods of handling records was necessary and Irene's previous experience was indispensable. As assistant to the office manager, Mr. Willard R. Gilbert, she today is a marked asset to the office personnel. Her duties are many but her accomplishments as shipping clerk are singular.

During the World War she was in the Naval service as Yeoman (F). She is a member of the American Legion and served the office as Adjutant in Providence, R. I. In the Fall River Legion she is a member of the Franco-American Post. Beside a member of several other clubs or societies, she very ably exercises the duties of Secretary to the Pepperell Social Club. Among the Overseers in the mill there seems to be a favorite expression they use when in quest of information. Invariably they will say, "Call up Irene, she will tell you."

**FOR PEPPERELL FABRICS IN
LEWISTON IT'S
THE B. PECK COMPANY**

Everyone who has been in Lewiston will remember seeing the B. Peck department store. The story behind this company is very interesting.

Bradford Peck began his retail career at the age of 12. He started as a cash boy for Jordan Marsh Company of Boston. He lived in the Charlestown district of Boston and he and his boyhood chum Edward Plummer, also a cash boy, made plans for the future just as every boy does. On their long walks to and from business they planned when they grew up that they would open a store of their own.

Mr. Peck took advantage of night school and received regular promotions at Jordan's. In due course he was offered and accepted a position with a New York lace and embroidery importing firm. He frequently came to Maine on business and believed Lewiston offered opportunities for him.

On a Spring day in 1880 the store of Peck and Plummer opened in Lewiston. The first day's receipts were just 37 cents. In 1883 Mr. Peck gave up his position as salesman to manage the store. He bought the Plummer interests and in 1886 the business was transferred to Lisbon Street. Then on April 7, 1899, the present beautiful store opened its doors. Mr. Peck's extremely active life was brought to a close by death in 1935, at the age of 82 years.

The B. Peck store enjoys a very fine business and employs as many as 225 clerks. Many Pepperell products will be found in the various departments. Prints, yard goods, pajamas, tablecloths with napkins to match, Chenille spreads, blankets and Lord Pepperell Shirts are but a few of the many fabrics that you take part in making for this store. Lady Pepperell sheets are sold exclusively by Peck's in Lewiston.

Many wedded couples in Lewiston were made



Mrs. Thomas Gormley, formerly at the Lewiston Bleachery but now associated with the B. Peck Department Store. When the Peck Company introduced Pepperell Towels, Mrs. Gormley did free monogramming for the customers.



A trio at the Rayon Division at Fall River is Robert Rawston, Jr., Robert Rawston, Sr., and Joseph Vaillancourt. Group pictures like this one are always welcome.

happy by the large quantity of the 10-piece sets that were sold. As you may know, these sets contain sheets, cases, towels and face cloths. During the two weeks' introductory sale of towels, free monogramming could be had by customers, who certainly took advantage of this offer. Sales were far greater than the store officials anticipated, which shows that the people appreciate quality products at reasonable prices.

When children's figured pajamas are purchased, Peck's give the customer a children's book such as the *Pied Piper*, *Peter Rabbit*, *Tom Sawyer*, etc. These books vary from 65 to 140 pages in length and furnish a novel idea in salesmanship.

The Peck policy keeps to a high standard of quality and will not carry merchandise which does not measure up to standard. In other words, to quote the words of the management, "If we're not proud to sell it, we won't carry it." This explains why Pepperell fabrics are sold by this store.

**THE DRAGON LOOKS BACK
AT BIDDEFORD**

11 Years Ago This Month

Paul Whiteman, the King of Jazz, wears Pepperell-made overalls while pictures of him are taken as a railroad engineer.

Monster clambake and field day held by Pepperell employees at Pleasant Point. Many sporting events enjoyed. Cecile Zimmiski wins blueberry pie eating contest.

Fred Grace on the small end of a bet, parades up and down Main Street wearing a ten-gallon hat.

9 Years Ago This Month

Francis Spencer welcomed as a newcomer to the Cotton House.

Philip Tighe Post represents Biddeford at Detroit wearing the new and snappy uniforms furnished by Pepperell.

BILLY DUNN RETIRES AFTER 40 YEARS' SERVICE



Mr. William Dunn concluded 40 years of faithful service in our Biddeford plant when he voluntarily retired on June 28th. Billy came to work in 1882 as a Tube Boy and received a daily wage of 42 cents. A short time later he was given a Back Boy's job in the Mule Spinning room, an occupation which generally followed that of a Tube Boy. James Reed was the Overseer at the time.

As time went on, Mr. Dunn has been transferred to other locations in the mill including that of Weave Room, Machine Shop, Spinning departments, Boiler Room and to his last position in the Blanket Spinning Room.

A full six feet in stature, he was an officer on the Old Orchard police force during the summer months returning to our mills in the Fall. It was here that he kept his old friends of this locality and made many new ones among the summer visitors.

During his 40 years' service, not once did he ever have an accident. This is further proof that safety pays.

Billy is as yet undecided what he will do outside of taking a few years leisure and weeding his splendid garden which he cultivates. With his high spirits and jovial personality, we are sure that his future will be spent with a great deal of happiness.



Spinning Lady Pepperell yarn in 84-B at Biddeford is Martha Terlale. Martha's hobby is collecting pictures of movie stars, which so far number over a hundred.

Will these Lewiston girls be surprised! Looks like Lydia Olivier, Martha Grenier and Anita Samson were ready to do a little stepping out.



FORMER LEWISTON OFFICIAL ENJOYS "PEPPERELL SHEET"

It will be interesting to all of our Lewiston readers to learn that Mr. D. M. Bates, who was general manager of the Lewiston Division before the coming of Mr. Harrison, is a regular reader of *The Pepperell Sheet*. That he enjoys it is very evident from the tone of a recent letter which he wrote to Mr. S. H. Crowley, Assistant General Manager in Lewiston.

Writing from Philadelphia, under the date of June 13, Mr. Bates comments as follows:

"*The Pepperell Sheet* for June takes my thoughts very directly to Lewiston and to you all of L. B. & D. W. What a newsy, friendly, chatty little publication this is, developing among you as it must, a real family feeling in each of the Pepperell Divisions and of all the Divisions taken together as a great industrial family.

"I have just been looking through the June number from cover to cover with great interest, starting with Bert Harrison's able statement of 'New England's Problem.'

"The historical article on Sir William Pepperell is absorbing and I am delighted with the picture on page 7 of Capt. Michael F. Brogan who had the same alert look the last time I saw him that he shows in this picture of his youth.

"I think *The Pepperell Sheet* is a grand idea and am sending this copy along to John McCarty of Cold Spring Bleachery with the thought that perhaps some day we can grow up to a point where we can have our own little newspaper."

We are greatly pleased at Mr. Bates' very flattering comments and, knowing him as we all do, we know that his praise is sincere and honest.

THE OLD BOARDING BLOCK



There are many people in and around Biddeford who remember the Pepperell Boarding Block. It was located on the present site of the Cotton House.

Built soon after the first mill in 1850 the boarding house contained 256 rooms or 16 tenements. The building itself was 420 feet in length.

Each of the 16 tenements had a supervisor, more commonly known as a mistress. At number one there was a boarding house where many of the operatives could get their meals, especially at noon. A Mrs. Foss was the first boarding house mistress. She was later followed by Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan, mother of Mrs. Ella Jordan Mason, who came about 1862.

Miss Rebecca Simpson was another mistress. In a note book belonging to her under the date of November 10, 1853 she rented a room to a Mr. Mason and listed; 1 feather bed, 1 straw bed, 1 bedstead, 2 comforters, 1 quilt, 1 pair of sheets and 1 pair of pillow cases, all at 12½ cents a week. Beside this a very small sum was charged for the rental of the room.

Other tenants included a Mrs. Hooper who lived at No. 6, whose daughter married Thomas Emery, Principal of the Birch Street grammar school and for whom the Emery school was named. Then there was Eugenie Hobbs who came from Belfast and worked in the mill summers and attended Castine Normal School. After graduating she went to Holyoke then to Stanford University in California where she received a professor's degree and taught there. A Mrs. Ward lived at No. 16 and her daughter married David Webster who was a well known local interior decorator. Moses Webster, cloth room overseer and founder of the hospital, boarded at No. 1 as did Mrs. Thomas Bradbury, wife of the Overseer of the machine shop while he was away fighting during the Civil War.

Though the building was very modern at that time it did not have our present day conveniences. Soapstones and bricks were heated to keep the tenements warm at night during the winter season. There was a regular schedule for bath taking on Saturday. With one old-fashioned wash tub to each floor, employees who came out of the mill first would have to come right home and take their bath so that the tub would be "vacant" for those who came out later from the mill. It was the duty of each mistress on Saturdays to have enough water heated to take care of the demands. This procedure may seem strange to us now but everyone did this nearly a century ago.

Then on July 29, 1909, they started to raze the building to give way to the present large cotton storehouse. Practically all the bricks were used in the construction of the storehouse, which was started in July 1910.

The Laconia Company had two boarding houses but unfortunately we lack information on these. If any of you readers can aid us we would surely appreciate it as would hundreds of other readers.

A real fisherman is John Slewick. Here he is proudly posing with a five pound tautog caught near Ohio Ledge in the Warren River, in the "Edbert", a forty foot boat. John is a weaver in Mill A at Fall River.





Blanche "Boo" Sherry, popular Lewiston employee and fine bowler. Blanche holds a little stock in New Haven, Conn.



Bill Acton, who is in charge of the Cotton Warehouse and also has the important duty of classifying all the cotton that comes into the Mill, has been pretty busy lately thinking about the effects of the War on the cotton market. Naturally this will have a tremendous bearing on the price and supply of cotton.



This man knows all the answers when it comes to questions about shipping goods from the Lewiston plant. Tom Gormley is Foreman of the Storehouse.



Marjorie Tewhey, Presser, and Loretta Grenier, Inspector, at the Sheet Factory at Lewiston. Both girls are employed on the night shift.



Henry and Louise Metayer, children of Albert Metayer, loomfixer in Room 10-2 at Biddetford.



Pretty Magadeline Borges being surprised by the birdie. Her father works in Mill A Fall River as a Weaver.



BEFORE

AFTER

Medora Fontain, popular Lewiston Sheet Factory employee, is angling for a big one. And, believe it or not, this beautiful specimen of the finny tribe was caught.



Miss Helena Chace, bookkeeper for the Rayon Division at Fall River, and a friend to all employees. She is located in the office of Overseer Guyer.

Claude Dussault is the son of Marie Ange Dussault, a stitcher in the Lewiston Sheet Factory. Claude is a student at Holy Cross School and is well liked by all his school mates.



The problem kid himself. Not bad looking, hey girls? He guarantees to answer all questions correctly or your money back. His name is Edward Jammeen, alias, Happy Holiday, of the Fall River Mill.



A fine looking trio from the Blanket Weave Room at Biddeford. These room girls are Mrs. Aldea Corriveau, Theresa Piette and Mary Ann Maurice.



This picture of Virginia Lafontaine, who is on the night shift at the Lewiston Sheet Factory, was taken five years ago when she graduated from Lisbon Falls High School.

WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

THE BIDDEFORD RECORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, Editor-in-Chief

SHEETING SPINNING — Biddeford

Reporters: Emelia Lariviere, Andrew Jacques, Adrien Lefebvre, Emelia Lacroix, John Twomey, Renald Lauzon, Fernand Lefebvre, Evelyn Collard, Isabelle Picard, Rose Baillargeon, Henry Binette, Gertrude Beaulieu, Noella Montpas, Germaine Meehan, Patrick Bergeron, Rose Rousselle, Warren Reed, Jeannette Lajoie, Laura Dubuc, Irene Laverriere.

¶ We have a new Doffer by the name of Raymond Tanguay. Welcome to our room, but be careful, Ray. We know a certain miss that's got quite a crush on you.

¶ We also have Mrs. Annette Gagne working with us now. We also welcome her to our room.

¶ Mrs. Blanche Roy had visitors over the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Roy and daughter of Berlin.

¶ We have with us now, two new Spinners, Mrs. Bissonnette and Mrs. Rousselle. Hope you like it here.

¶ Why is Mr. Soucy always so tired on Sunday night? During the week he's raring to go.

¶ Lucien Fournier, son of Mrs. Ernest Fournier of Room 84A, enlisted the 17th of June in Portland for duty with the Seventh Field Artillery, Fort Ethan Allen, Vt.

¶ Mrs. Delvina Gagnon was transferred from second to third shift.

¶ Having worked in the Pepperell for a good many years, Mrs. Beausoleil has left to live on the farm. We all hope you become a successful Farmerette.

¶ 24-B hopes to have Mrs. Blais back with us soon. She is in the hospital and we wish her a speedy recovery.

¶ Please be careful of wet floors. Terrible things can happen, I know. G. M.

¶ Mrs. Gagnon was transferred from the third shift to the second shift about two months ago. But is back on the third shift again. She is a very capable worker. She is a Doffer in 74.

¶ Mrs. Thompson went on a vacation at Lewiston, Me., and is back to work once more. She reports that she had a wonderful time down there with her relatives and friends.

¶ Mr. Gosselin, worker in 74 and 84 doffing, likes his work very much.

¶ Mrs. Lydia Roy and Romeo Beaudoin of Boston were guests of Melina Beaudoin and Florida Payeur last week.

¶ Our cone boy, George Vertefeuille has been transferred from the first shift to the second shift.

¶ Fernand Payeur went to Boston for a week to visit his aunt.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leclair who were married on the 30th of May, recently returned from their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Leclair are both employed in Room 25-B.

¶ Mrs. M. Nolette resumed her work after a week's vacation.

¶ The employees of Room 25-B and C are anxious to hear the wedding bells for Miss Esther Plessis.

See that nice broad smile, folks! He is Victor Zimniski, Card Feeder in 154 at Biddeford.



This smiling youngster is Ronald Blow, five month old grandson of Idella Blow of 23-B in Biddeford.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

Reporters: Rose Bouthot, Catherine Bizantakos.

¶ Speaking of softball, our overseer, Mr. Francis Spencer, was given the honor of throwing out the first ball at the first game. We were all glad to hear that he was chosen. Incidentally, Mr. Spencer has moved back to his home in the country.

¶ A baby shower was given to Jeanette Huff, Friday. A group of girls from our department attended and reported an enjoyable time.

¶ Pussy is still wondering who the "wise guy" was that pinned her lunch. Oh! you won't talk, eh?

¶ Frank Lafountain has returned to work after being out sick for several weeks. Glad to see you looking so well, Frank.

¶ Congratulations to Mr. Soulard, who is the proud father of a baby girl. Speed bought all the men cigars, but he neglected the girls. We'll settle for candy, Speed.

¶ Bertha Lanctot and husband visited their cousin in Rumford. Did you happen to see Janet Gagnon there, Bertha?

¶ Our skating star, Gemma Fortin, has been seen at the pier a lot lately. It seems to us that she has given up roller skating. Won't you tell us the reason, Gemma?

¶ One of our most quiet girls, Ethel Gaudette, has returned to work after being out on account of illness.

¶ Wanted!!! More space for trucks for Vivien C. and Rose L.; Peach when Adrien is sweeping around Laurette's machine; the name of the guilty party that fooled with Roland's sweater.

¶ Mary Nadeau was bridesmaid at her sister's wedding. Adrienne Nadeau, our ticketer, was among the many that attended the ceremony.

¶ We were sorry to hear that Jean Bright will not be back with us for quite a while.

¶ A. P. advises W. H. to take a few horseshoe throwing lessons from youngsters, before trying to play with men.

¶ Mrs. Rose Gregoire visited her sister in Lowell over Memorial Day.

¶ Florence and Anita Bennett attended their brother's wedding on May 30.

¶ Spinning Room 2-4 B please note: Some of the girls in the blanket department were wondering why Marcel Neault comes into work tired on Mondays or doesn't come in at all.

¶ Could it be a girl named Jeanette in Newmarket, N. H.?

¶ Annette Pinnette attended the Collard-Tremblay wedding. We needn't ask, for we know she had a good time.

¶ Esther Belisle was missed while she was out sick. Glad to see you back, Esther.



Mrs. Mary E. Field, our congenial telephone operator and clerk at the Fall River Plant.

SHEETING CARDING — Biddeford

Reporters: Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Leblond, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook.

¶ Miss Imelda Gendron of 5-3 A spends her week-ends in Old Orchard during the summer months.

¶ I would like to introduce to you our new doff-frame girl, Miss Jeannette Potvin. We hope that you like it with us.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gendron motored to Boston on a pleasure trip lately.

¶ Mr. Martineau, our Card Stripper, was out for two weeks on account of sickness. He is now back with us in as fine a condition as ever.

¶ Mr. Lavigne is now our new card tender in 4-1C. We hope that you like it here with us.

¶ Mrs. Morin of 5-3 A has now completed her five-tenement house. Congratulations to you because you have a nice place.

¶ Mr. Houle, our oiler, changed his 1927 Dodge for a 1929 Chevrolet. Coming up in the world, eh, Leo?

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Lamirande entertained company from Canada lately.

¶ Mr. Prescott Verrill, our second-hand is playing a lot of golf lately.

¶ Mr. Picard of 4-3 is acting as a good traffic cop on the corner of 4-3 and 5-4 A.

¶ We give our sincere sympathy to Mr. Valliere in the recent bereavement of his wife.

¶ Our Second-Hand Eddie Paquin motored to Boston recently to attend a ball game.

¶ Ever since Maurice Parisien attended a dance at Well's Beach he's been talking in reverse.

¶ It looks as though our softball manager, Paul Larose, is going to be another Jimmy Foxx. He helps to beat McDuffey's Spinning Room by hitting three home runs.

¶ We are glad to see Wilfrid Janelle back to work after a brief illness.

¶ Mr. E. Petrin is attending several weddings of late. We can't figure out this unusual interest.

¶ Fishing has been described as a line with a worm on one end and a loafer on the other. Certainly this is not so in your case, is it, Bill?

¶ Johnny Sullivan should have worn sun glasses during the recent Cloth Room-Card Room game.

¶ Joe Lee, Jr., was throwing an Aroostook sinker while pitching.

¶ John Daly looked pretty fast going down to first base.

¶ Joe Cook looked like Jim Tabor at shortstop.

Three good representatives of the Lewiston Sheet Factory. Left to right they are, Arthur Berube, Louis Cyr and Ed Stahl.



¶ The overseer and all the second hands have completed their physical examinations. They all say it was worthwhile.

¶ We extend to Rene Lariviere our heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life. Rene is resigning from the Bachelors' Club July 4th.

¶ This was divulged to us confidentially but we are passing it on to you. P. Larose is to join the benedicts of married life sometime this fall.

¶ Did you know that our own "Fatty" Duquette used to be quite a star first baseman on a local team which played and went all over New England about 35 years ago?

¶ That heartless gentleman "Casanova" Sears who has a string of broken hearts to his credit is on the prowl again. The victim this time is a student nurse from a local hospital.

¶ Mrs. Alice Paul is planning a trip to Canada in the near future.

¶ The boys of the softball team have been working hard under the wing of their captain Paul. You have the full support of the Carding Department, boys.

¶ Mrs. Picher has been out of work for several days. We wonder if it has anything to do with a dress that disappeared.

¶ Yvonne Gilbert has been transferred from 4-3 to 2-3 B on drawing frames.

¶ Yvonne Lambert is now employed as a helper on the long draft frame in 2-3 B.

¶ Mrs. Oscar Blanchette has been transferred to the third shift.

¶ We welcome Mr. LePage as a newcomer to our department.

¶ Mr. Houle has been transferred to 2-3 B.

¶ "Officer" Picard is doing a good job as traffic cop on the corner of 5-4 A and 4-3.

BLANKET NAPPING — Biddeford

Reporter: Alice Cote.

¶ Alphonse has a new dog "Teddy." Bet he doesn't beat Tommy's dog "Skippy" (for looks).

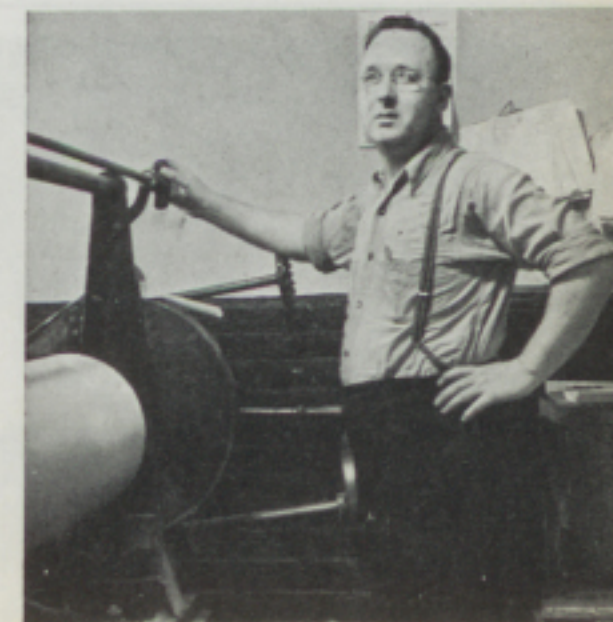
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Alec Labrecque and family spent a delightful week-end at Ipping, Mass.

¶ We had company to see us at the mill Wednesday afternoon. Rudy! We were all glad to see him—best of luck.

¶ Bob Hunter is planning to go to Monument Island where he usually goes once a year. You'd better watch your step, Bob. You know what happened to you last year.

¶ Dick is on the Pepperell Dragons team. They defeated the Saco Hoboes 7 to 2.

¶ Alec Labrecque was called to St. Fortunate, P. Que., where his mother passed away. We extend our deepest sympathy.



Percy Dewhurst, popular Special Cloths Department man at the Lewiston plant.

TOWEL CLOTH ROOM—Biddeford

Reporter: Lawrence Beaudette.

¶ Mary Hughes, daughter of Mrs. Zita Hughes of the Tufting Dept. will be graduated from St. Mary's School this month and will undoubtedly follow in the footsteps of her charming sisters and be one of Biddeford High's learned scholars.

¶ Mary Belle Pelchat and Ruth Hobbins have become devoted bicycle fans and may be seen nearly every evening riding through the streets of Saco and Pepperell Park at breakneck speed. Careful girls! A fall may leave you in a pretty bad shape.

¶ Our Josephine has been very quiet and sober of late and we are worried for fear that it will cause her to lose interest in her very good friend and ardent admirer, the order man.

¶ Well, Eva, isn't it about time for you to win that Bank Night prize again and make the score for the G. family 4 hits?

¶ We have found the secret of Elsie Boston's hurried departure for home following the 3:30 lights out signal. It is to enable her to listen to her favorite radio sketch "Vic and Sade." We are convinced that Elsie could impersonate Sade Gook to perfection.

¶ Beatrice Brouillard is another enthusiastic fan of the dramatic serials and says that her favorites are the "Girl Above," "Stella Dallas" and "Jack Armstrong" programs.

¶ We are wondering if the "Wash Man" cares for "Olives"?

¶ It has been reported, unofficially, that Jeannette Pruneau has postponed her great adventure until the Christmas season.

¶ Lawrence Beaudette was recently appointed assistant manager of the "Crusaders," local baseball unit represented in the Twilight League.

MECHANICAL DEPT.—Biddeford

Reporter: Lewis Berry.

¶ With the passing of Jesse Townsend, Machinist, goes one of the ablest men of the trade. From a selfish standpoint of the Mill, not only will he be tremendously missed from this department, but all locations throughout the plant. Though he had been with us but 12 years, he rapidly made himself well liked, and many of the Overseers asked to have him do their repairing and installations. Unlike many men who just carry out their duties as required, Jesse was a machinist by trade. He had studied and mastered it and was considered a veteran and an authority at the art.

We are indeed fortunate in having his son, Wayne, in the same department and tutored by his father. It now remains for him to carry on the good family name of mechanics that is so well established by his father and grandfather.

Ann Palman of the White Folding Room at Lewiston. Ann is washing out stains on the cloth before it is taken to the Sheet Factory to be stitched.



BLANKET CARDING & SPINNING—Biddeford

Reporters: Merilda Bernier, Mary Polakewich.

¶ Donald St. Ours and Mary Cowgill are said to be that way about each other.

¶ Cave-Man Romeo Binette is always boasting about his strength. We are from Missouri and have to be shown.

¶ Yvette Grenier rolls her stockings below her knees. No law against that is there, boys?

¶ They must be giving out free candy bars somewhere, B. T. is sure putting on weight.

¶ Calling all farmers! Calling all farmers! Will someone give Kenny Durgin a tip on how to raise chickens. It seems that Kenny bought 30 chicks and before he placed them in the hen-coop 27 of them died! Better stick to the city, Ken. It's cheaper!!!

¶ L. D. putting on the high-hat. Where's the Ball?

¶ We are all wondering what has come over a certain lassie in our room (My Wild Irish Rose).

¶ A baby shower was given to Mrs. Lionel St. Ours recently.

¶ Flash! Flash! E. A. riding with Lord Casanova one Sunday refused to give three of her co-workers a lift. Better give them a ride next time or we'll tell who Lord Casanova is!

¶ Emma Carr went to a dance recently and her feet bothered her so much that Johnnie had to run home for her low-heeled shoes!



This true-to-life photograph of three of Maine's most famous fishermen was taken recently for the readers of the "Pepperell Sheet". The claim that these gentlemen have to fame is somewhat exaggerated, particularly because they are not extremely well known. The only one that can be recognized is Captain Brady on the extreme right, who is captain of this crew. Readers of the "Pepperell Sheet" who can identify the two other gentlemen have a good chance of getting a prize of a rubber fish hook for their efforts. We understand that from time to time Mr. Cook has been seen in the company of these gentlemen.



Before the present Main Street bridge was built at Biddeford, the old layout of Main Street went to White's Wharf, where the bridge was located. When the present bridge site was selected, the street plans called to run the street through a cemetery. Therefore, it was necessary to remove those buried. The cemetery was on the site of No. 20 Mill or where the Sheeting Cloth was up to a few weeks ago. The interesting light on this is that when one of the skeletons was removed, it represented a man who must have been over seven feet in height.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

Reporters: Dorothy Adjutant, Antoinette Hannah.

¶ Mrs. Claire Goulet entertained relatives recently from New Bedford, Mass.
¶ Mr. Emery Alarie from New York City visited last weekend, Mr. and Mrs. John Nadeau and family.
¶ Mr. Arthur Rochefort spent the week of July 4th at Old Orchard Beach, Me.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Andre Bolduc visited in Ogunquit and Cape Porpoise the week of July 4th.
¶ Mrs. Florence Morris, Mrs. Mary Morris and relatives from Massachusetts spent the week of July 4th at Lake Umbagog; enjoyed fishing and reported a nice trip.
¶ Miss Antoinette Santorsola spent the week of July 4th at Everett, Mass.
¶ Miss Annette Brunelle with Rose Lariviere spent the week of July 4th at Old Orchard Beach, Me.
¶ The girls of the sheeting division are wearing their new uniforms and do they look nice.
¶ The girls all came back from their vacation with sunburns, which shows that most of their time was spent at the beach.
¶ Marie Numan passed her vacation at Old Orchard Beach. We hear that Marie likes to go bathing by moonlight. Is that so, Marie?
¶ Leo Berube and Rose Lariviere have been transferred from the third shift to the second.

¶ Mrs. Jemima Heeney was a recent visitor at the New York World's Fair. She reports a very pleasant trip.
¶ Miss Lorena Girard was a visitor in South Berwick recently.
¶ Miss Stella Antanakos has been transferred from the first to the third shift.
¶ Here's news that is news. Helen is learning to drive a car. She and a tree had an argument. We don't know who won, but Helen is still wearing a plaster on her knee. We haven't seen the tree yet.
¶ Wanted: Two pair of roller skates, one pair for Leo Berube and one pair for Albert Harvey.
¶ It won't be long before the girls of the Cloth Room will be showing off their new uniforms. They have been ordered and will be here shortly.

SHEETING SLASHING — Biddeford

Reporter: Max Libby, Jr.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hume motored to Lawrence, Mass., over the holidays.
¶ Mr. Harold Lebreton and brother, Lawrence, spent the week with their family at Ocean Park.
¶ We welcome George Simard to the Dressing Dept.
¶ Robert Poire, Second Hand on the Second Shift says that the fish were biting fine. (How many did you catch, Bob?)
¶ George Cote is being blamed for all this hot weather. Adelard Poisson claims George left his miracle oil burner on.
¶ Thomas Thibodeau certainly must have a good car. Alex Delisle claims that Tom can go to the White Mountains now, without any danger.

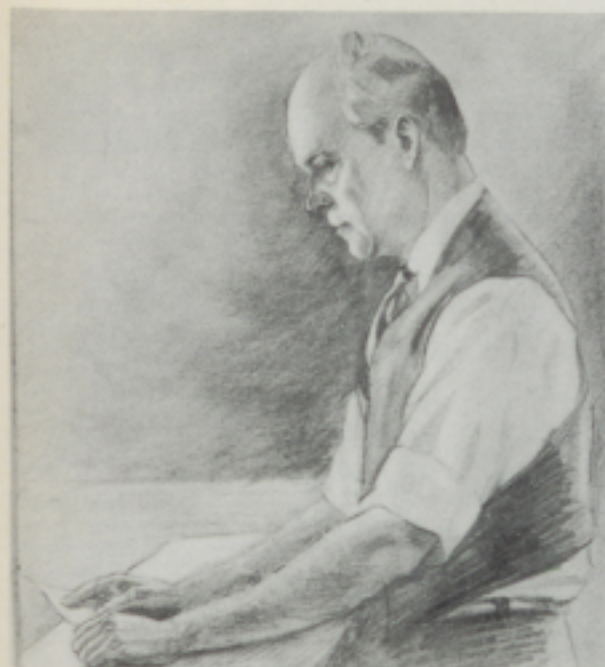
BLANKET WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

Reporter: Ernest Guillemette.

¶ Here's a story we heard the other day. R. P. was asking Red B. why it was that he would not come and see them practice softball at night, which was near Red's house. Red answered R. P. saying that he would "let them learn a few things about softball before going to see them."
¶ Mrs. Renald Lauzon has returned from her honeymoon, and is back working with us. She was formerly Miss Germaine Boucher.
¶ Robert Bergeron is the proud father of a daughter. His wife was formerly Laurette Desmarais, employed in our room.
¶ O'Neil Boucher is the proud father of a daughter.
¶ Henry Jolin attended the graduation of his son at Thornton Academy.
¶ Mrs. Therese Lessard and her husband visited in Boston on Memorial Day.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Desrosier accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Anastasoff have returned from their honeymoon spent at the New York World's Fair. Mrs. Desrosier was formerly Muriel Lepine and Mrs. Anastasoff was Blanche Paquette before their marriage.



Donald and Paulette Kearns, children of Marion Kearns, a Spinner in 54-B Spinning Dept. at Biddeford.



In this excellent pencil sketch by Gardner Whalon, Jr., of Fall River, you get all the character and detail in the face of Mr. Albert Horne who is Overseer of B Mill Cloth Room in Fall River. Mr. Whalon, as you probably know, is in charge of the supply room of this Mill.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "A" — Fall River

Reporter: Leo Chabot.

¶ Newly-wed bridegrooms may take notice. William Jones, Ovide Michaud, Wilfred Belanger. Nobody has set up Papa Dionne as an example of what a typical father should be.

¶ Bill Beauchesne is a speaker on political matters. Let's buy him a soap box.

¶ On July 15, most of the workers of the third shift will be entertained at the Dawson Brewery as guests.

¶ Joe (Pepper) Martin and Family spent the holidays at Coney Island.

¶ When Henry Masson, a battery hand, was refused in the Navy because of a few pounds underweight, he replied to the Officer in charge, "It's not how a person looks, it's how he feels."

¶ Armand Fortier and his family spent their vacation in New Bedford.

¶ Antone Perry wants to sell his chickens now that they have hatched.

¶ William Beauchesne is Pepperell's No. 1 comedian. Every time he cracks a joke he is the only one that laughs. He has taken small parts in stage plays, because his brother runs the show.

¶ Joe (Pepper) Martin invited a certain person to have a chicken dinner with him and when they got there, there were eggs on the table.

¶ Gilbert Santos, a fixer, is a great help to his fellow workers; keep it up boy and they'll be satisfied.

¶ Henry Chauveau raises pigeons as his hobby. He claims that they are the rare type. Maybe they're cats and he doesn't know it.

¶ Well it's about time, Jim Abdullah is now escorting a girl and it looks like we will be hearing wedding bells soon.

¶ Peter Thibault, an honorable citizen of Fall River, believes in doing things the right way. He likes to go fishing.

¶ Frank Showron is now the proud owner of a 28-foot boat.

¶ Roland Robillard recently received a diploma from the Northwestern School of Taxidermy. Congratulations, Roland.

¶ Josephine Pavao, the genial hostess is a fine cook, nevertheless her specialty has quite a thump.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Leo Grant are receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby daughter, born Wednesday, May 22nd, 1940.

¶ Norman Marsden, a naval reserve is leaving on July 29th from the City Wharf on the Destroyer U. S. McKinsey for a two weeks' cruise. Maneuvers will be held off the coast of Virginia, around Norfolk. On their return trip the boys will stop at Washington, D. C., for three or four days.

¶ Wilfred Belanger is justifiably proud of the honor of being the Oooooompp Man in the Plant.

¶ The outing of the Bowling League proved to be a huge success. Everyone had a grand time. Will some of the boys forget a certain cigarette girl? Cigars and cigarettes were expensive but so was the scenery.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

Reporter: Edmond J. Lord.

¶ During our annual vacation, Luther Blossom visited points of interest in New Hampshire. He had real nice time, but he says certain stores close too early.

¶ The boys were all happy to see Louis Letourneau back, when he dropped in for a chat last week.

¶ Since Eddy (Casanova) Eaton, Jr., received his sunburn, he satisfies his bathing urge by moonlight.

¶ If you are seeking to forget what you know about card playing, Roy Conner will enlighten you in three easy lessons.

¶ One of the social events held recently was the betrothal of Tom Reid's daughter, Thelma. Give them our best wishes, Tom.

¶ Harold Murphy, our welder, has been so busy lately he's hardly noticed the hot weather. He's what you call a torch swinger.

¶ Ben Cyr tells of one occasion, when seven girls were crying on his doorstep because of their inability to have him. He's quite a Romeo, Tall, Dark and Handy.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

Reporter: Phyllis LePage.

¶ Wilfred bought a new trailer for his bicycle. You had better watch him Battery girls, he might ask you to try out his new trailer.

¶ Did any one hear about "Muscles" Mellor falling off his pigeon coup? What were you doing Muscles, trying to teach your pigeons how to fly?

¶ Blondie has been married seven months and has gained seventeen pounds. The boys on the second shift are wondering what his wife is feeding him.

¶ Benny and Redskin, two of the leading patrons of Tommy Ryans, have taken a lease on a certain table. What is the big attraction, boys?

¶ Lorraine Lord went to Worcester on her vacation. She may not be able to tell you about some of the sights out there, but she can tell you a lot about the nice swings in Purgatory Park.

¶ Three of Fred Richard's degree teams won prizes at the exhibition held at North Park, Sunday, July 7th. No wonder he feels so proud.

¶ We all wish Alma Michaud a lot of luck and happiness in the beautiful new home she has just bought.

¶ Rose Martel spent her vacation in Woonsocket with some friends.

¶ Effie looked very cute in her new blue bathing suit at Sandy Point. We imagine that was your boy friend with you.

¶ Although Louis Chouinard is married he still dresses like a Rah Rah Boy. He attended a class of 1932 reunion at Howard Johnson's recently and enjoyed meeting all of his old classmates again.

Joe Boy of the Lewiston Sheet Factory. Joe must be quite a follower of the horses as he is seen around the "Barn" quite a bit.



WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

THE FALL RIVER RECORD

H. A. TRUSLOW, Editor

SPINNING ROOM "B" MILL — Fall River

Reporter: Ada Pelletier.

¶ Miss Donald Scott, sister of Miss Alice Scott, employed in the Winding Department, was married to Mr. Evariste Lavoie, Thursday, July 4th, at 9 A.M. in St. Roche Church. Many relatives and friends were present at the reception which followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Lavoie motored to New York on their honeymoon, where they will visit the World's Fair.

¶ Mr. Armand Philbert and Miss Rita Dumond were married, also, on Thursday, July 4th. The ceremony took place at 8 A.M. in the Notre Dame Church. The happy couple motored to New York on their wedding trip. They will attend the World's Fair.

¶ Best Wishes to the newlyweds.

¶ Mrs. Loretta Bernier is the proud Mother of a six pound baby girl. Congratulations, Loretta.

¶ Mrs. Albina Labonte has returned to work after an absence of several months. Welcome back, Albina.

¶ Mrs. Mary Lamarre says she had a wonderful time on her vacation. She spent part of the time visiting friends on a farm. During her stay, Mary went fishing and caught more and bigger fish than any of the rest of the party. Mary also attended the baseball game in Boston. We agree with Mary, that it was a week well spent.

¶ Miss Jennie Pelletier, employed in the Drawing Department, with a friend, Miss Claudia Cote, motored to Elizabeth, New Jersey, the week of July 4th. They were guests of Miss Emma Pelletier, sister to Jennie.

¶ Mrs. Eugenie Lauzier is taking two weeks' vacation visiting friends and relatives in Canada. Mrs. Lauzier is employed in the Spinning Department.

MILL "B" CARDING DEPT. — Fall River

Reporter: Beatrice Dupuis.

¶ We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to May, Rose and Manuel Nicolau in their recent bereavement.

¶ Mrs. Gaskell spent her vacation in New York and also visited the New York World's Fair.

¶ Other visitors seen at the World's Fair, this year, were Mrs. Fallon and her daughter, Catherine.

¶ Mary Patenaude spent a week at the seashore.

¶ One of the oldest employees in our department is Philippe Charette, our Third Hand; he has been with us since the Pepperell started up ten years ago. Philippe is a very good worker and is the proud father of five children.

¶ Did you know that our Second Hand on the second shift, Ernest Borden, is camera shy?



This cute baby with the laughing eyes, is Rachelle, five month old daughter of Mrs. Adrienne Bouchard, formerly employed in the Winding Dept. of Plant B in Fall River.

Lillian "Bunny" Casey is one of the Lewiston Sheet Factory girls who is exceedingly popular.



¶ Anne Bullard spent a week visiting friends and relatives in Rhode Island.

¶ Did you know that our Boss Grinder, William Boudreau, has been with us for about five years now? He also worked at the Pocasset Mill seven years for Mr. Lambert. How about giving us a picture of yourself sometime, Mr. Boudreau?

¶ It seems that most of the boys couldn't leave for their annual vacation this year. They had to work. Well cheer up boys, better luck next time.

CLOTH ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

Reporter: Kay Evelyn.

¶ Dot Mercer spent the week of July 4th traveling over the Mohawk Trail with her sister, Kathleen. A sunburned arm was Dot's proof of the trip.

¶ Amie Crompton, her husband and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Blossom spent five days in the White Mountains. Amie thinks it is a swell place, but they are stingy with the water.

¶ Our Kitty also visited the Mohawk Trail. Kitty always did have a lot of fun, but she deserves it.

¶ Kay Evelyn spent her holidays in Bridgeport, Conn. Now Kay who is Drummand, you have us all guessing.

¶ Poor Gladys lost something during the holiday week, but she is one grand sport about it.

¶ Welcome, Arthur Riley, to our Cloth Room. Hope you will like us.

¶ Chicago is a large City, everyone knows that, but Chicago Street in Fall River is not so well known except to people of the Maplewood section, like Bill Burke, Sr. On June 7th the Estes Mill burned. Bill Cox our Watchman on day duty and a friend journeyed to Maplewood to behold the sight; after a few hours they felt quite content and decided to go home, but where did they park their car? Poor Bill and his friends were lost.

¶ Mr. Burke, Sr., met them and offered very valuable assistance. The car was located on Chicago Street, but after rescuing Billie Cox, poor Bill Burke was lost and in turn had to be turned around and headed South on Stafford Road. Now, Bill Burke, I ask you as a good old-time inhabitant of Maplewood, is that nice? Everyone will think Chicago Street is in the "Sticks."

¶ Now how old is Genevieve? She won't tell, but Happy Birthday, and many, many more.

¶ There is talk of polo games, horses, and such going around. What is it all about and who are the young ladies to referee? Any information will be appreciated.

¶ "B" Cloth Room is noted for its sporting spirit. The words, "I betcha," are very common up there; lately these words are very much in use. After quite a long time it leaked out that the wagers are about the length of a certain girl's fingernail.

To date there are a number of side bets as to the length of said nail, length of time before breaking, and to the care taken of the nail. Some think a special treatment is given, but this reporter has, so far, been unable to find out.

WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

THE LEWISTON RECORD

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

Reporter: Robert Cameron.

¶ "Gene" Goudreau, the mink man, who still believes that there is safety in numbers, reports that his hoard of mink pelts is getting bigger every month and that his future wife will be well stocked with coats. Speaking of numbers, that wasn't a bad one you went golfing with a few Saturdays ago, "Gene."

¶ It seems that Stella Derzen sprained her ankle at Old Orchard Beach, while on her vacation. The only thing we don't know is whether she was chasing or being chased.

¶ Why does one well known shaver spend so much time around one well known inspector?

¶ As John Turner seemed quite provoked at the last item he inspired, we are printing a correction: We didn't see John over on Fourth Street (somebody else did).

¶ The European situation is settled very thoroughly every day by "Neville" Norton and "Daladier" LePage.

¶ Anyone wishing to become a graceful "cheek to cheek" dancer should see Don Bryant in action. Wow!

¶ Wanda Dudzik and her Packing Room smoothie have been seen together a lot lately. Sounds ominous, Bill.

¶ Freddie Michaud, our popular sweeper, is wondering what France is going to do with Germany now that she has control.

¶ We all wonder what Peter Bonneau sees up by Applesass Hill every night. Is it the view, Pete? or what? And by the way who do you meet in front of the taxi stand about 10:00 p.m.?

NAPPING ROOM No. 1 — Lewiston

Reporter: Rosario Paquette.

¶ Arthur Pomerleau complains about pains here and there. A ship in distress wouldn't look as bad as he.

¶ Nap. Poulin when cashing his check is so much in a hurry that he leaves a five dollar bill for the next person.

¶ "Jack" has made enough profit on the roadside stand to retire.

¶ Joe Bousquet made a recent trip to Quebec. How're the little Canadians, Joe?

¶ Rosario Paquette went to Canada but doesn't remember how he came back.

This young Lady is Delia Ouellett, inspector in the cloth room at Fall River. Miss Ouellett did that fine job of sewing the curtains which hang in the Social Club Room.



This charming little lady is five year old Irene Crowley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Crowley. Mr. Crowley is in charge of the Sheet Factory at Lewiston.

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

Reporters: Ellen Lane, Blanche Sawyer, Olive Ward, Katherine Bourisk, Ann Crowley.

¶ Betty Gould spent her vacation at Little Ossipee Lake with her brother-in-law, Marshall Floyd, and his family. Betty came back with a lovely tan.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lane celebrated their fourteenth wedding anniversary, July 5th with friends. Congratulations, Ted and Nellie, may you both have many, many more happy years.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Michael Linnehan enjoyed a long motor trip when they traveled to Wilmington, Delaware, to visit their daughter.

¶ Blanche Tupai enjoyed her trip to New York World's Fair over the 4th. She also visited friends whom she hadn't seen for many years.

¶ Myra Martin spent her vacation at Thompson Lake. She had as her guest, Miss Yvonne Frechette. Miss Martin also arranged a special party for a few of her friends. As the girls motored over to the lake, they stopped for lunch at the Howard Johnson place. In the party were: Ida Beaulieu, Mrs. Cecile Morin, Betty Gould, Theresa Beland, Mary Dobson, and Thelma Higgins, who drove the party over in her new car.

¶ Lovely time was enjoyed by all.

¶ Blanche Bolka, Stella Cholewa, May Dudzik, and Stella Derzin spent a very enjoyable vacation at Old Orchard over the week of the 4th. Did you notice the tan, boys?

¶ We hear the sheetroom is losing Bill Tewhey. We all wish you the best of luck in the new department, Bill.

¶ There is a new girl in the Papering Department. Her name is Angelina—Sorry we do not know her last name but we think it is Nadeau.

¶ Margaret and Feeney had a swell time over the Fourth. Nice and cool on Summit Ave.

¶ Chic Donovan says his business does not cut into Howard Johnson one bit. We wonder.

¶ Martha has had an offer to spend the summer up at the Lake with a certain young man. But she says she'd rather have a job working for an army.

¶ The rest of the gang are too done up with the heat to make news.

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¶ Tony St. Jean, the Romeo (he thinks) of the Sheet Factory, has bought a pair of field glasses and he doesn't miss a thing—He did not miss much without the glasses.

¶ Margaret Call has been absent from her duties for quite some time. We all hope she is feeling much better and will be back with us soon.

¶ Vital Ouellette and family are enjoying a motoring trip through Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

¶ Gerard Grenier has been doing quite a bit of singing lately. Some one asked him why he didn't sing over the radio.

"Do you think I should?" asked Gerard.

"Sure thing," was the reply, "then we can turn you off when we want to."

¶ Our very best wishes to the Newlyweds:

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LeClair. Mrs. LeClair was formerly Alice Guy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Theriault. Mrs. Theriault was formerly Rita Morneau.

¶ Flossie and Lou must be almost ready for their first public appearance. We do not hear them practising so often lately.

THEME SONGS:

Bunny Casey "Oh! Johnny!"

Merita Landry "Pony Boy."

Anita "Show Me the Way to Go Home."

Helen Hopkins "You're the Cream in My Coffee."

Marion "When I Was Single."

Flossie & Lou "Medley of old times"—The older, the better.

Arline Nadeau "South of the Border."

¶ A very pretty wedding took place on Saturday afternoon, June 1, at Trinity Church, when Marion Keith became the bride of Deane Cook. Best of good luck to both, from all their Bleachery friends.

¶ Best wishes for your approaching marriage, Lea. We'll miss you. Hope you like Providence. Don't forget the Lawn Party, Lea.

¶ No doubt Lena Levesque has met the man of her dreams, the answer to any maiden's prayer. Eddie is tall, blonde and handsome. Quite a good match, Lee and Eddie, don't you think? Do we hear wedding bells?

¶ We girls think that Rene Bernier's new hair cut is very becoming to him. Now he can sweep standing on his head.

¶ We have been seeing a lot of new-but-old familiar faces in the Sheet Factory. It seems as if the good old days are here again.

¶ We wonder who Gill's new boy-friend is? Tall, blond and handsome.

¶ All the girls going on the Night Shift seem to be glad. Why? Swimming seems to be the biggest attraction right now.

¶ Nellie Filteau and her hubby have opened up a store and eating place at Gurnet. She invites all her friends down. Did you ever try any of Nell's cooking? They say it is great.

SHOE GOODS DEPT. — Lewiston

Reporter: William Winn.

¶ Willie Rioux has reported back to work all tanned after a week's vacation at Lard Pond.

¶ The Shoe Goods Department is in full swing now with the addition of two new girls, Alda Finn and Ruth Fenderson.

¶ John Finn, an ardent sports follower, can be seen cheering for the Bleachery Softball team every time they play.

¶ Ernest Gousse spends all his spare time in his large vegetable garden. The only vegetable Ernest does not plant is squash.

¶ Leo Beaulieu, the little man who is always there, is taking the big step around Labor Day.

¶ Joe Grimmel has opened his summer camp at Lake Sabattus. Invitations are out to everyone, especially the young ladies.



Fred Morin and Donat Vachon. Tenting machine operators on Blankets at the Biddeford Mill.



Glorienne Bilodeau is the eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bilodeau. Glorienne is a talented singer and actress. Her father, who is employed at the Lewiston Machine Shop is very proud of her.

MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

Reporter: Carl Proctor.

¶ Louis Lucier was in Vermont recently. Louis comes from the above state and thinks that the Green Mountains can't be beat.

¶ If Joseph Bouchard's plans work out he is going to have a windmill at his domicile at Lake Sabattus.

¶ Dominic Bouchard was in Montreal over the Fourth.

¶ Who went fishing at night recently and didn't know what he had caught until he got home and found it was hornpout?

¶ When it comes to being well informed on current events, no one can equal D. Davis. He reads most of the papers at least once.

¶ M. Jackson, who was in France in '18, followed the recent fighting there with much interest as he was familiar with most of the names.

¶ Valmar Lacoussiere has a nice new camp at the seashore, but it's minus a water pipe. Last winter someone dug it up, cut it off and carried it away. Val says it is fortunate they could cut it off as otherwise they might have taken the camp.

¶ John McDonald is planning on building over his boat trailer. Rumor has it that John has put so much paint on the old skiff that the chassis has quit.

¶ Axel Neilson seems very happy these days. He has sold his car and has no troubles whatsoever, any more.

SPECIAL CLOTH DEPT. — Lewiston

Reporter: Harold Duston.

¶ The Special Cloth Department was well represented at Popham Beach over the holidays. Fred Haley after sleeping in the sun gave a swell imitation of a boiled lobster. Franky Keneboris also found that the sun can be very hot. Harold Duston took pictures which should be very embarrassing to someone when printed. Floyd Harding has his own method of digging clams. He digs a hole and crawls right into it. Mrs. Duston who works in the sheetroom must have broken some kind of record by eating a ten-quart pail of steamed clams at one sitting. Gus Lundgren was down but did not stay for a sunburn.

¶ Have you bought a Frigidaire yet, Bob?

¶ Wally is still bargaining for those fog lights but thinks that fifty cents is too much.

PACKING ROOM — Lewiston

Reporter: William O'Connell

¶ Robert "Andy" Cameron has received his Doctor of Letters Degree according to a report "Teddy" received from Addison Street in Lisbon Falls.

¶ Al Houle put up at the Manger Hotel during his recent visit to Boston. All the Bell-hops were at his beck and call for he was very generous with his tips.

¶ Russ Holland's wife was seen lying across a road at Thompson Pond last week. She was trying to pull Russ' boat under a low bridge.

¶ Russ Holland is scouring the country-side for fifty (50) more pullets.

¶ Wm. Hamilton, Wm. O'Connell, and Thomas Coughlin hired a cottage beside one owned by Miss Margarite Kelly and family. Miss Wanda Dudzic and Miss Rita McKenna were also visiting the Kellys. The spotlight man had a very hard time keeping a light on Rita and Bill.

¶ Ovilla Goyette got well filled on Lobster and other sea food at Harpswell, Bailey's Island and Old Orchard last week.

¶ Bill Driscoll was stretched out on his veranda, with his feet on the railing and his ice cream pants on, when he was called into work last week.

¶ Ed Howard says, "Most Umpires are blind in both eyes. I'm only blind in one."

¶ Henry Fahey was seen strutting around here after his examination at the Clinic.

¶ Charlie Durgin went to New York on his honeymoon. Charlie lost seven pounds and blames it on the heat.

¶ "BB" Wade, pride and joy of our "Bullet," wound up his season with the State Championship L. H. S. ball team in a blaze of glory. "BB" has joined up with the fast Ranger ball club and is hoping for a banner year in the Twin City League. Incidentally, Bullet hasn't a vest with a full set of buttons left on it.

¶ George Thompson motored to Quebec over Memorial Day and is highly enthusiastic over the performance of his Ford. George is a great traveler during the summer months and has several other long trips planned.

¶ Russ "The Bat" Holland has been appointed an umpire in the Twin City League. This is a real break for Russ, as it gives him a chance to bank a few more dollars every week, but a tough break for the league. They'll have enough arguments without tempting fate with his appointment. This reporter also misses the news Alice H. used to pass on to him.



Introducing to all "Sheet" readers Mr. Pat Burke of the Lewiston Machine Shop. Pat was hard at work boring out a gudgeon which goes on a Vat Dye machine when he was interrupted for this "shot".

¶ Ed "Potso" Quinn has run into a series of mishaps lately and this little bit of advice may help him out. First—They have things called stoves that are just the place to light fires, not on your chest. Second—Stay away from parties where anything stronger than tea and coffee are served. Third—and last—Beds are made to sleep in and if you have to doze in a chair use a footstool not the radiator.

¶ Wm. "Casanova" Hamilton is getting prepared to leave for war by having twice as many dates as in the past. This lover's new line is: "I'll soon be leaving for France, why not give me a break?" His conquests include one of the Colored Room beauties, who is giving him no rest at all.

BOX SHOP — Lewiston

Reporter: Eugene Madden.

¶ One would know that there is plenty of patriotic blood in Bob Doyle's veins if they could have seen him among the leaders of the Memorial Day parade.

¶ Johnnie Coughlin made a trip to Bangor a few weeks ago and spent the day in the Bangor Post Office writing cards to friends back home.

¶ Nazaire Bonenfant will be a pretty busy man for the remainder of the summer trying to take in all the ball games we have around here. He sure does love his baseball.

¶ Alphonse Roberge says that if practice makes perfect he is going to be one of the best horseshoe pitchers around here. Yes, Al can be found warming up on the court any morning around six o'clock.

COLORED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

Reporter: John McKenna.

¶ The two Gold Dust Twins of the room, Rita and Margaret spent part of their vacation at Edgewater.

¶ Ralph Verville spent a few days visiting in Canada.

¶ The U-No Club had to cancel their meeting this month on account of high water at Grace Cote's.

¶ Helen Taylor is taking High Diving lessons at Taylor Pond.

¶ Dick Longley said he would stick with the Mohawks, win or lose. Mostly lose.

¶ J. Pelchat and Leo Laflamme enjoyed their vacations together Down by the Railroad Tracks.

¶ We all wonder why Wanda comes in early at noontime.

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TED SHEVENELL SEEMS TO BE AN EXPERT BALL PLAYER WITH A BASKET.

Rose Gagnon, Battery Hand, and Mary Soares, Weaver in Mill B at Fall River.



Les Avantages de la Nouvelle Angleterre

Toutes les discussions des avantages dont jouissent les industries de la Nouvelle Angleterre doivent constater que la seule vraie supériorité de cette région vis-à-vis du reste du pays réside dans le caractère de la population des six états.

Un statisticien pourrait nous donner une foule de chiffres qui feraient ressortir les nombreux désavantages que doivent surmonter les industries de la Nouvelle Angleterre. Il n'aurait pas de peine à démontrer qu'il y a vraiment peu de raisons appuyées sur des faits qui puissent autoriser cette région à se féliciter de son sort. Mais après avoir passé en revue tous ces chiffres, ce statisticien aurait encore à compter avec les habitants eux-mêmes.

En fin de compte, toutes les compagnies et toutes les industries se composent avant tout de personnes. Ce sont des hommes qui font le travail, et qui reçoivent, d'une façon ou de l'autre, ce que fabrique telle industrie ou telle compagnie. Les cotonnades qu'on fait dans une industrie ne sont pas fabriquées simplement pour le plaisir de les fabriquer. On les fabrique pour qu'on s'en serve, pour les hommes, les femmes et les enfants qui ont besoin de couvertures, de draps ou de serviettes. Et ces hommes, ces femmes et ces enfants achètent ces produits et fournissent du travail aux ouvriers et aux filatures.

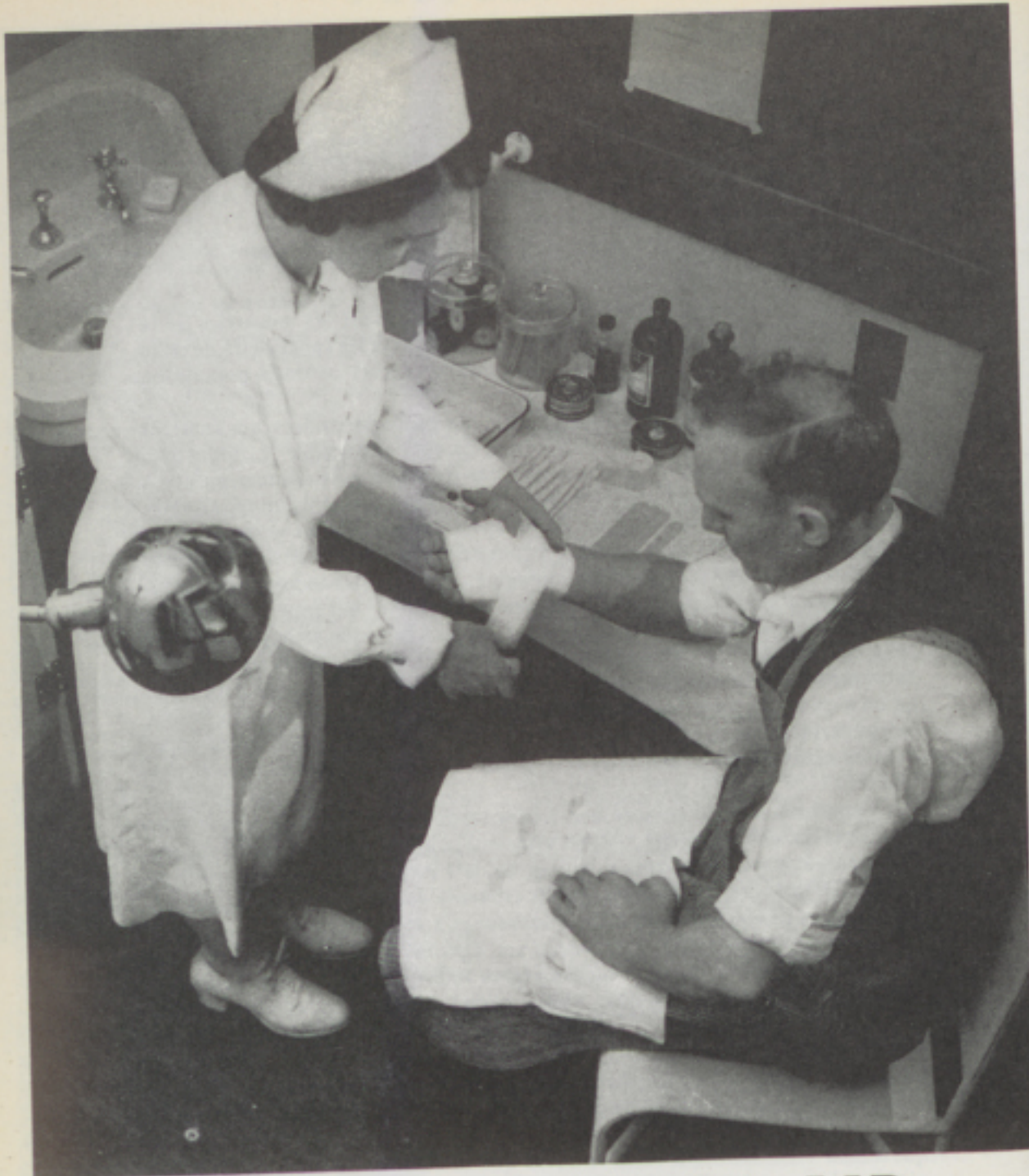
Quand on se rend compte que toutes les industries existent avant tout pour ceux qui en font partie, on voit aisément la grande responsabilité qu'ont ces gens. Pourvu qu'ils travaillent et qu'ils s'intéressent à leur travail et l'industrie marchera. Pourvu qu'ils espèrent la voir se développer et s'étendre, et ils continueront à s'y intéresser et à vouloir travailler.

Dès que la Nouvelle Angleterre est devenue une région industrielle importante, et elle a été la première région industrielle des Etats-Unis, ses travailleurs ont montré un désir plus profond de travailler et avaient plus d'orgueil du travail bien fait que nulle part ailleurs dans le pays. A l'heure actuelle il est plus pressant que jamais de comprendre à quel degré l'avenir de la Nouvelle Angleterre dépend de l'énergie de ses habitants.

On peut voir de tous côtés que les habitants de la Nouvelle Angleterre comprennent à quel degré l'avenir de la région compte dans leurs vies, et qu'ils sont bien décidés à faire en sorte que la seule vraie supériorité de la région—le caractère de sa population—leur donne une Nouvelle Angleterre où l'existence sera plus active et meilleure.

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